

## RESOLUTION \_\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION recognizing October 2001 as Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention Month in the City of Seattle and urging all citizens to recognize the critical problem of domestic violence and to join in support of the people and programs which help to alleviate domestic violence.

WHEREAS, the goal of the City of Seattle is to reduce the incidence and effects of domestic violence by increasing the public's awareness and by funding shelters, legal and other services essential to providing safety and security to thousands of victims of intimate violence,

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a widespread public health and safety issue that affects the well being of our families and affects all racial, socioeconomic and cultural groups,

WHEREAS, nationally, an estimated 2 million women are battered each year by a spouse or partner, and every day at least three women are murdered by their husbands or boyfriends,

WHEREAS, the City of Seattle supports the coordinated and knowledgeable response to domestic violence victims by first responders, service providers, and the criminal justice system,

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a crime and in the year 2000 the Seattle Police Department responded to 7206 cases of domestic violence,

WHEREAS, the City of Seattle has a Domestic Violence Workplace Policy,

WHEREAS, the City of Seattle is embarking on a collaborative program with Verizon Wireless to provide preprogrammed wireless phones so that victims of domestic violence can safely and quickly contact emergency personnel whenever they are in danger,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE, THE MAYOR CONCURRING:

That, the Seattle City Council declares that October 2001 to be Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention Month in Seattle, and urge all citizens to join in support of the people and programs helping to decrease the incidence and alleviate the effects of domestic violence.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Seattle the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2001, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its adoption this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2001.

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Margaret Pageler, President of the City Council

Filed by me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2001.

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
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THE MAYOR CONCURRING:

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Paul Schell, Mayor

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Date